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That all Europe, or at least those countries  
which desire to live in harmony with their  
neighbours, and have no wish to see the con-  
tinent embroiled in a deadly struggle on the  
off chance of getting some personal advantage  
from the misfortunes of their neighbours,  
goes without saying. More especially would  
Great Britain be glad to get rid of her  
thankless responsibility to lend seeming  
support to an administration which seemed  
to her to be the agent of all that was bad,  
and a continual menace to the peace and  
good order of Europe. In the customary  
language of the day, the Turk is an  
anachronism in Europe; but he is far more  
than an anachronism, he is an intruder,  
and lacks the prescription that original  
possession alone can convey. The rest of  
Europe was not only Christianised but  
civilised, when, taking advantage of the  
weakness of the later Byzantine Emperors,  
the Turks crossed the Dardanelles and  
finally obtained possession of Constantinople.  
At first, indeed, they possessed in a large  
measure those virtues which go far to  
reconcile the world with a conquering race;  
they were brave, generous, and treated the  
subject peoples with justice, and almost  
with magnanimity. As the centuries passed  
and the race of OTTOMAN settled down on  
the rich lands of the Balkan peninsula, the  
less civilised Turk began to lose his own  
native virtues, while the hard and unaccom-  
modating tenets of the religion of MAHOMED  
prevented him from acquiring those of settled  
life. The effect was marked, not only on the  
Turk as master, but on the subject peoples,  
who by degrees retroceded from the level of  
civilisation which they had at one time  
attained, till in these modern days there is  
little to choose between Turk and Rayah.  
So far it might appear that the coast is  
clear, and that any measures that would  
hasten the departure of the Turk from  
European territory could not but be hailed

by all Europe as an unalloyed blessing. But  
herein comes the rub. Were the inhabitants  
of the Balkan Peninsula to be left to work  
out their own salvation, the departure of the  
Turk might be accepted as the first harbinger  
of a better dawn for Europe and the world,  
but unfortunately all the schemes for the  
smoothing of the exodus are marred by the  
ambitions desires of the Powers for the  
control of these populations in their in-  
dividual interests. Russia, careless of the  
interests or feelings of the peoples, would  
see in the situation only the means of still  
further increasing her already over-grown  
empire; Germany, equally careless of the  
well-being of the inhabitants, would strive  
to take advantage of it to advance her own  
private schemes of an impractical Pan-  
Germanism; and Austria, placed thus, as it  
were, between the upper and the nether  
millstone, would endeavour to utilise it  
in establishing her own control. With  
no particular ambitions of their own, the  
western nations could not but see in any  
extension of the other Powers a  
danger to the stability of Europe which  
might prove lead to an armed interven-  
tion. Unfortunately, too, there exists in  
England a puritanical school, which, under  
the pretence of peace, and simply for  
sentimental ideas of their own, would  
drag the country into acts cer-  
tain to produce still worse compli-  
cations even than those at present existing.  
Such are the conditions of the Macedonian  
question, and it is easy to comprehend how  
grossly they would be exaggerated were the  
apparently simple solution of the evacuation  
of Europe by the Turk to enter into the  
field of practical politics. It is  
in such circumstances that each suc-  
cessive Government in England, to what-  
ever party it belonged, has on entering on  
the responsibilities of office, no matter what  
its avowed utterances may have been when  
in seclusion, adopted the apparently in-  
consistent course of seemingly backing up  
the government of Turkey for the time  
being—not that it sees anything to admire in  
the position, but in the fear that worse may  
come. Now the present Sultan ABDUL  
HAMID, weak and incapable as he is as an  
administrator, has yet sufficient knowledge  
of statecraft to see the advantage this  
position of affairs gives him in resisting all  
demands for reform by whomsoever urged,  
and in this he is still further helped by the  
treachery of the insurgent leaders. It is  
unfortunately the case that, had as the  
Turkish soldiery; that of the insurgents,  
had it but the power, would not be a whit  
better, and that were the situation reversed  
there would be as much occasion for an  
outcry against Macedonian atrocities as now  
exists for the deprecation of Turkish cruelty.  
In the absence of any real knowledge of the  
nature and extent of the reforms urged on  
the Sultan by Russia and Austria, it is of  
course out of the question to pass judgment  
on their probable effects, but coming  
as they do from so very questionable a  
source we have certainly room for doubt as  
to their quality and efficiency. No one  
probably is capable of giving such whole-  
some advice as the Devil himself, but the  
world, from past experience of his way, is  
not likely to believe it disinterested. Mean-  
while the revival in England of the old cry  
of Turkish atrocities is not one that augurs  
well for any practical solution of the  
difficulty. More lately we learn from tele-  
graphic despatches that under pressure from  
the British Government the Sultan is begin-  
ning to show signs of yielding. Possibly  
the Government is convinced of the practi-  
cability of the changes demanded, and  
thinks the moment well-chosen for trying  
the experiment. If so we hope that it is  
sufficiently well-informed as to the dis-  
interestedness of Russia's proposals. For  
ourselves we must continue to look with  
suspicion on an enemy's gifts. The situation  
is probably too far advanced to permit of  
any settlement by mere reforms, while their  
attempted introduction will be fraught with  
danger to Turkey herself, a danger which  
cannot but react on Europe under its  
present explosive conditions.

On p. 2 to-day will be found a report of the  
last monthly meeting of the Hongkong General  
Chamber of Commerce and some Late Telegrams.

S. Andrew is widely honoured in the Far  
East. We see that the "Hunan S. Andrew's  
Society" has been established by the Scots  
engaged on the Peking Syndicate's works.  
Englishmen are admitted as honorary members.

It is reported that an armed robbery occurred  
at Tsingtau village in the New Territory on  
Saturday morning. Three armed men broke  
into a dwelling-house and, over-awing the  
women occupants, ransacked the place and got  
away with money, jewelry, and clothing to the  
value of \$147. The robbers did not injure any  
of the women, who were too frightened to raise  
the alarm until after the desperadoes had  
decomposed.

The trial of the *Supao* prisoners before the  
City Magistrate and Mr. Giles, British As-  
sessor, at Shanghai, will take place on Thursday,  
the 3rd inst.

In a despatch from London, dated the 5th  
ult., we find the following:—"A Colombian war  
ship was shelled Panama. Eleven Chinese were  
killed." The latter sentence sounds improbable.

The *Orientalist* Lloyd reports that the  
death of Bishop Anzer, Roman Catholic bishop  
of Shantung, took place on the 24th ult. during  
an apoplectic fit shortly after an interview with  
Pope Pius at Rome. We have already an-  
nounced the death.

Mr. J. Dyer Ball, Chief Interpreter in the  
Supreme Court, met with a nasty cycling  
accident on Saturday. While he was riding  
along Cause Road a coolie ran into his bicycle and  
he was thrown heavily to the ground, sustaining  
severe bruises on the face and arm and a shock  
to the system.

The German Rear-Admiral Von Holtzendorff,  
second in command of the German squadron,  
arrived at Nagasaki on the 17th ult. by the  
*Prinz Heinrich* and left on the following day  
for Yokohama. He will fly his flag on the  
cruiser *Hansa*, now being repaired at the  
Uraga dockyard.

Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge was the only  
recipient of the Knight Grand Cross of the  
Bath in the King's Birthday Honours List.  
Admiral Bridge is expected at Shanghai on the  
16th inst.; his intention is to remain through  
the winter and until the arrival of his successor,  
Sir Gerard Noel, K.C.B.

Charles Richards, who was alleged to have  
been implicated in the Chinese immigration  
fraud case in Manila, stated in Court on the  
opening of the case against Miller and Ballan-  
tine, that he was induced to return to Manila  
by Mr. Morgan Shuster, whom he met in Hong-  
kong, to turn State's evidence, on the under-  
standing that he would not be prosecuted in  
connection with these frauds.

We have received a letter from a corres-  
pondent complaining of the refusal of the  
Justices of the Peace to grant an adjournment  
on certain premises in Des Vaux Road Central.  
As we are certain that the writer entirely  
misunderstands the action of the Justices, in  
imagining that one man's objection decided  
their judgment, we see no utility in publishing  
the letter.

The ceremony of installing the Taunggyin  
Sayadaw as Thathanaing (Archbishop, prac-  
tically) of Upper Burma was performed at  
Mandalay on the 13th ult. Sir Hugh Barnes,  
Lieutenant-Governor, announced the recogni-  
tion by the Government of the elected Thathana-  
ing. The leading officials, civil and military  
of Upper Burma were present, and about 800  
monks, while all the streets on the route of the  
procession were lined with people.

Mr. and Mrs. Hannibal Williams, the well-  
known Shakespearean reciters, will, as we have  
already announced, give two of their recitals  
at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, on Friday and  
Tuesday next. On Friday Mrs. Williams will  
recite passages from *Romeo and Juliet*, and on  
the following Tuesday Mr. Williams will deliver  
selections from Henry IV. (Part I). Tickets  
may now be obtained, and seats secured, at  
The Robinson Piano Co., Queen's Road.

The *Deutsch Asiatische Warte* learns that  
the Indo-China Navigation Co. from Tsingtau  
have established a regular weekly service to  
Shanghai. The first steamer of this new line,  
the *Columbia*, Capt. Anderson, arrived at  
Tsingtau on the 13th ult. The *Columbia*, which  
was built in 1901, is of 515 tons, and has  
comfortable accommodation for ten first, and  
thirty-two second class passengers, and also for  
about two hundred Chinese in the between-  
decks.

The *Mainichi* publishes the following  
telegram dated Peking, 18th November, which  
if substantiated, is very important:—"The  
Belgian syndicate, which consists of some  
French and Belgian capitalists, has hitherto  
been supposed to enjoy the support of the  
Russian Government. It is now reported that  
several English capitalists have joined the  
syndicate recently which is now preparing to  
enter upon active work in the Yangtze valley.  
This is probably a result of the better relations  
between France and Britain. It is believed  
by the public that the speech made by Sir  
Ernest Satow at Shanghai about the develop-  
ment of British influence will probably be  
found hereafter to have some connection with  
this movement."

The *Foochow Echo* of the 21st ult. says:—"The  
new Viceroy of Fokien Province, Li Hsing  
Jui, arrived at Peking last night from Canton  
in the cruiser *Ting Yuen*, and proceeded this  
morning to the number of several thousand, who  
had been awaiting his arrival twenty-four  
hours. The rain prevented any display, and his  
entry as Acting Viceroy to a city in which he  
was formerly well known in humble position  
was comparatively quiet. The Viceroy is a  
Hunanese by birth, over seventy years of age,  
and has come from Canton where he has been  
serving as Governor. Some six years ago he  
filled the post of treasurer here, when he en-  
joyed a reputation of being a shrewd man of  
business. Subsequently on leaving Foochow on  
account of disagreement between himself and  
Viceroy Hsu, he took up the post of Governor  
of Kiangsi, and was thence transferred to  
Canton. We hope that he will prove energetic  
and will effect some necessary changes in the  
province. If so he will be the right man in the  
right place."

Sir Charles Dilke speaking at the National  
Liberal Club on the 8th ult. on fiscal questions,  
said, "Will members of the Government and  
the Dukes following Mr. Chamberlain drink  
Cape brandy, rollickish French champagnes,  
and take Forest of Dean perry?"

The British Under-Secretary of State for  
Foreign Affairs, speaking at the dinner of the  
China Association in London on the 17th ult.,  
regretted to say that he knew nothing re-  
garding the circumstances which had prevented  
Russia from carrying out the explicit assur-  
ances which had been given to Great Britain  
concerning the restoration of the Manchurian  
provinces to China upon the date specified.

A London telegram of the 5th ult. relates  
how the *Daily Mail* and the *Evening News*  
with the assistance of an electrophone obtained  
a verbatim report of Mr. Chamberlain's  
Birmingham speech on the 4th ult. Reporters  
sat in the London office of each paper at the  
electrophone receiver and took notes. The  
speech in these newspapers was selling in the  
streets of London 20 minutes after its conclu-  
sion. The electrophone beat the telegraph  
wire by an hour and a half.

The *Universal Gazette* is informed by its  
Ningpo correspondent that since the anti-  
Romanist riot in Ninghai, Chekiang, the  
local civil and military officials have been  
ordered by Governor Nish to be sent to  
Hangchow for trial; several rioters have been  
beheaded and \$7000 reward offered for the  
capture of the leader Wang Lib-tung, who is  
still at large. The Roman Catholic Bishop is  
greatly displeased with what he considers the  
apathetic efforts of the authorities to capture  
the said leader. The Consul-General at  
Shanghai has, at the request of the Bishop,  
telegraphed to Governor Nish complaining  
that Wang had not been arrested and stating  
that if he was not arrested in 7 days, he would  
request the French Admiral to send gunboats  
to Ninghai, otherwise the case would never be  
settled. Governor Nish after receiving the  
above telegram at once wired the French  
Consul-General asking him not to carry out  
his intention and at the same time strictly  
ordered the local authorities to increase their  
efforts in effecting the capture of the escaped  
bandit leader.

#### COMING CRICKET MATCHES.

On Saturday next, the 5th inst., the Inter-  
port team will meet the Rest of the H.K.C.C.  
on the Cricket Ground.

On the following Saturday, the 12th inst.,  
the H.K.C.C. will play the Hockey Club.  
Both these matches will begin at noon.

On the 18th inst., the H.K.C.C. Reserves  
will meet the A.O.C. in a League game at 2  
p.m.

On Christmas Day and Boxing Day, the  
25th and 26th inst., the H.K.C.C. will take  
the field against the United Services. There  
will be a tiffin for the teams on Christmas Day  
at 1 p.m., play beginning at 1.45. Play on  
Saturday, the 26th, will commence at 11 a.m.

#### GOLF.

An interesting match took place on the Happy  
Valley links on Sunday, between teams  
representing the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank  
and Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Eight  
players appeared on each side, and 8 singles and 4  
foursums were decided. The Bank, who have  
a very strong team just now, gained an easy  
victory by 10 matches to 1. Jardine's only  
winning one single and halving another. The  
pairing and individual results were as follows:  
The Bank players being put first in each  
case:—

Singles:—C. W. May beat J. Johnston  
(2 up and 1 to play); N. J. Stabb beat W. W.  
Ross (2 up); H. E. B. Hunter beat G. T.  
Veitch (2 up); P. R. Scott lost to K. McK.  
Ross (1 down); E. E. Deacon beat A. Brooke  
Smith (8 up and 7 to play); W. D. C. Turner beat  
W. Taylor (7 up and 5 to play); A. Boyd and  
Peter Dow halved; H. C. Sandford beat P. S.  
Jameson (7 up and 6 to play).

Foursums:—May & Stabb beat Johnston  
and W. Ross (6 up and 5 to play); Hunter  
and Scott beat Veitch and K. Ross (2 up and  
1 to play); Deacon and Turner beat Smith  
and Taylor (2 up); Boyd and Sandford beat  
Dow and Jameson (2 up).

#### LICENSING SESSIONS.

The Justices of the Peace assembled at the  
Magistrate's at 2.30 p.m. yesterday to consider  
nine applications for publicans' licences and two  
for adjunct licences. Mr. T. Sercombe Smith  
presided, and the Justices present were Captain  
F. Lyons, Messrs. J. H. Kemp, A. Shelton,  
Hooper, A. Romjahn, Dyer Ball, R. A. Craig,  
and C. A. D. Melbourne. There were in all  
11 applicants for licences, 9 being publican,  
and 2 adjuncts, all of which were granted,  
as there were no objections raised against  
any of them, either by the Police or  
by near-by residents. The following were the  
applicants to whom licences were granted:—  
Moritz Sternberg for the International Hotel,  
Isidor Silbermann for the Globe Hotel, Annetta  
Papier for the Colonial Hotel, Mrs. Esther  
Oliver for the New Traveller's Hotel, Fred  
Hoggard for the Praya East Hotel, James Wm.  
Osborne for the Kowloon Hotel, Harry Haynes  
for the Hongkong Hotel, Alexander Moir for  
the Peak Hotel, William Kramer for the Rose,  
Shamrock and Thistle Hotel, Anthony Milroy  
for the Sailors' Home, and Mrs. Matilda Moore  
for the Pelham House Hotel. The last two were  
granted adjunct licences.

## TELEGRAMS.

### "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

#### THE DREYFUS CASE RE-OPENED.

London, 30th November, 10.25 p.m.  
The French Government have decided to  
re-open the Dreyfus case.

### REUTER'S SERVICE.

#### JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

London, 28th November.

It is stated in St. Petersburg that Viceroy  
Alexieff's return is delayed by the negotiations  
being carried on in the Far East, and that he  
has received the Tsar's orders to press matters  
with the Japanese Government while the latter  
is acting on foreign counsels in a pacific mood.  
Russia is doing everything to bring the nego-  
tiations to a conclusion.

Three-quarters of the Russian fleet is now  
massed in or moving towards the Pacific, and  
practically nothing is left in European waters.

#### HONGKONG VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

A carbine competition for Right Half No 2  
Co. H.K.V.A. was held at Tai Hang on  
Sunday the 29th ult., the prizes being a silver  
flash and two spoons kindly presented by a member  
of the Co. The conditions were 10 shots and  
two sighters at 200, 400 and 500 yards. There  
was a good muster, and the weather was all  
that could be wished for, though the light was  
decidedly tricky. The following are the four  
best scores, Gr. L. C. Rees winning the flask  
and Bom. B. W. Grey and Gr. A. J. Darby  
spoons:—

Range.	Not Total.	Rank.	Grand Total.
Gr. L. C. Rees	200 234542444 34 11 45 400 525442423 33 12 46 500 324524235 35 12 47	1	137

Range.	Not Total.	Rank.	Grand Total.
Bom. B. W. Grey	200 555544435 44 scratch 44 400 555534454 45 2 45 500 454435555 45 3 45	2	134

Range.	Not Total.	Rank.	Grand Total.
Gr. A. J. Darby	200 444444436 37 7 44 400 433433545 38 7 45 500 255423533 38 7 45	3	134

Range.	Not Total.	Rank.	Grand Total.
Gr. G. Blood	200 343445442 36 3 39 400 245233242 31 3 34 500 555252534 31 4 42	4	115

#### CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

##### THE OPENING MATCH.

Sydney papers bring full details of the  
first three days' play in the opening game of  
the English cricket team under Mr. Warner's  
captaincy, which started at Adelaide on the 7th  
ult. The chief points to be noticed are that  
the declaration by the Englishmen of the closure  
of their innings with 8 wickets down for 483  
was the first time this had ever been done in  
first class cricket in Australia; that Hayward's  
innings is described as a lesson in batting; that  
Foster was absent on the third day, having  
received a telegram announcing his sister's  
death; that the English bowling and fielding  
in the first innings of South Australia was  
much commended; and that the visitors were  
to catch an early train on the 11th ult., which  
caused the game to end in a draw. The legality  
of Warner's action in applying the closure in a  
four days' match is doubtful, but the South  
Australia captain made no protest. The follow-  
ing was the score at the end of the third day's  
play:—

ENGLAND.—First Innings.	ENGLAND.—Second Innings.
Hayward, c Hill, b Travers 157	Hayward, b Rhodes 54
Warner, c Jennings, b Claxton 65	b Arnold 7
Lydeley, c Giffen, b Claxton 1	
Foster, run out 58	
Brand, b Giffen 53	
Hirst, c Evans, b Claxton 37	
Bosman, b Hay 19	
Lilly, not out 81	
Self, c Travers, b Claxton 39	
Arnold, not out 7	
Extras 16	
Total (8 wickets) 483	

ENGLAND.—First Innings.	ENGLAND.—Second Innings.
Hack, b Rhodes 16	Hayward, b Rhodes 54
Gibbs, run out 31	b Arnold 7
Hill, at Lilly, b Bosman 18	
not out 102	
Giffen, c Lilly, b Arnold 22	
Travers, b Hirst 15	
Claxton, b Arnold 11	
Nowland, c Rhodes, b Brand 10	
Brand, not out 10	
Evans, b W. b Hirst 6	
Reedman, c Lilly, b Arnold 1	
Arnold, not out 23	
Jennings, not out 23	
Hay, b Brand 19	
Extras 12	
Total 172	Total (2 wickets) 101

BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
ENGLAND'S INNINGS.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Travers.....	50	20	35	1
Giffen .....	46	7	129	1
Hay .....	30	11	88	1
Reedman .....	13	1	41	0
Claxton .....	26	2	76	4
Evans .....	10	3	37	0
Hack .....	6	1	28	0
Hill .....	1	0	9	0
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—First Innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Rhodes .....	11	2	27	1
Hirst .....	17	6	19	2
Arnold .....	20	6	49	3
Brand .....	9	2	15	2
Rossmore .....	13	0	38	1
Self .....	2	1	5	0

## S. ANDREW'S BALL.

### A BRILLIANT FUNCTION.

As year succeeds year in the social life of  
Hongkong the annual ball of the S. Andrew's  
Society appears to grow in popularity. It is  
looked forward to in more ways than one. The  
general community anticipate it as the grand  
event which marks the opening of the festivities  
that our climate permits to be held in winter,  
and viewed in that light alone S. Andrew's  
Ball would be rightly held in high favour, for  
it celebrates our emergence from the trying  
days of a tropical summer into bracing acquain-  
tance with north-east winds and overcasts.  
But to the Scotsman abroad the advent of the  
day of the patron saint of Scotland brings  
reflections deeper than these. Wherever the  
British flag flies there are always to be found  
among the pioneers of the Empire Scots who  
carry with them affectionate recollections of  
their native land, who cherish in their hearts  
fond remembrances of the clachans and the  
hills fragrant with the smell of the heather,  
and who, as the annual festival day of Scotland  
comes round, renew their youth in the con-  
templation of past pleasures in the dear homeland.  
It is to this love of country that we owe the  
existence of S. Andrew's Societies all over the world.  
The Scotsman desirous of an annual day of  
celebration could easily find an outlet for his  
patriotic spirit in more ways than one. But the  
Scotsman is thoroughly practical always.  
He does not avoid the festival—he would be no  
true Scotsman if he did—but he arranges it in  
such a way that with it he combines a recognition  
of the "greatest of these"—and the greatest of  
these is charity. The S. Andrew's Society is  
no mere organisation got up for the purpose of  
promoting an annual dance. Year in, year out,  
it goes quietly about its useful and charitable  
work in relieving distress among Scotsmen and  
their dependants—so quietly indeed that one  
almost forgets that its functions are being  
vigorously exercised by a devoted band of  
workers and that the greatest forces in life are  
those that make themselves least evident on the  
surface. So, the S. Andrew's Ball has more  
than one significance. It opens the social  
season in the Colony; it serves as a reminder  
of the good work being done by the Society;  
and it affords an opportunity for the Scott  
community to meet and renew the old friend-  
ships and to forge the first links in the new.

As on previous occasions, the whole of the  
City Hall suite was utilised for the Ball. S.  
George's Hall and S. Andrew's Hall were devoted  
to dancing, the Theatre Royal was made into  
the supper-room, and the Library and Chamber  
of Commerce contained refreshment bars and  
card-tables. The committee room adjoining  
was used for the reception of the guests. This  
year there was no outside porch erected in front  
of the grand entrance. As the guests entered  
the vestibule of the hall they were confronted  
with a spectacle of dazzling splendour. The  
pillars were entwined with ropes of greenery,  
and on both sides of the red-carpeted staircase  
was a profusion of plants and ferns and palms.  
At the top of the staircase the eyes were arrested  
by a huge illuminated device of the Scottish  
Thistle backed by the Royal Standard, while on  
either side were displayed S. Andrew's Cross in  
blue and silver and shields bearing similar  
devices. Underneath this thistle stood a great  
mirror reflecting an embossed trophy of  
shining bayonets and the Scottish Shield with  
the Royal Crown dominant. Two howitzers  
kindly lent by the Army Ordnance Corps  
frowned upon the landing amidst a profusion of  
tropical vegetation. On the main landing a  
centre-piece was found in a fine staff head  
surrounded with flags. All along the passage-  
way banners of different nations were hung  
with most picturesque effect.

The dates 1847 and 1903 displayed on the walls  
reminded one of the age of the society. S.  
Andrew's Hall and S. George's Hall were taste-  
fully decorated. In former years the picture of  
the patron saint had exclusively occupied the  
head of the hall which bears his name. This  
year he shared honours with King Edward.  
Mr. Dorabjee, of the King Edward Hotel, had  
kindly lent for the occasion the fine por-  
traits of the King and Queen which hang in  
his dining-room there. Her Majesty's portrait  
was placed in the reception room. King  
Edward's appeared underneath the picture of  
S. Andrew and his Cross. In S. George's Hall  
the portrait of her late Majesty Queen Victoria  
was flanked by the Royal Standard and the Irish  
Standard (a compliment to the donor, Sir  
Thomas Jackson). All round the walls of both  
halls were suspended the shields of the various  
Scottish families and the county names, not  
excluding Kowloon. It is well known that Kow-  
loon has long claimed to be territorially related  
to Scotland, but never until last night had its arms  
been displayed, namely, Vvee Magreogor, black  
with red torse on a white ground. Congratu-  
lations, Kowloon! The Heraldic Office have  
sited you to a "T." If the committeemen had  
heard the remarks of a certain gentleman who  
found the Logan Arms with the county name of  
Effe beneath they would have crept off to hide  
their diminished heads; there were those,  
however, who whispered that it was a mistake of  
malice prepense.

To go fully into a description of the deco-  
rations of the various halls and chambers would  
mean a mere cataloguing of items. In the bright  
glare of the electric light as it flashed from  
burnished spoons and battle-axes and brought  
out the colours of the flags and banners, one  
forgot to investigate the details, so absorbed  
was he in contemplation of the beauty of the  
whole. There was one little corner that called  
forth general admiration. That was "The  
Ingle Nook" in a corner of the S. Andrew's  
Hall. Upon entering this apartment the







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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day authorized Mr. A. GOEKE to Sign my Firm per procuration. A. PUSTAU. Canton, 1st December, 1903. [3304]

## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO. beg to notify that on and after December 1st Mr. KENG HING, of 385, Des Voeux Road West, will be the Contractor for the purchase of the Company's Coke and Tar, and orders for same should be addressed to him. GEORGE CURRY, Local Secretary. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3318]

## DANCING.

MRS. DONALDSON (Daughter of Professor F. F. WALLACE, of Rossmount (Dancing Academy, Glasgow) has pleasure in advertising a SECOND BEGINNERS' CLASS to open in the CITY HALL, shortly. Practices twice weekly... Fee \$10 a month. Pupils will please enroll at the Robinson Piano Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 2nd November, 1903. [3313]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on SATURDAY, the 5th DECEMBER, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road (Corner of Lee House Street), A Fine and Valuable Collection of ASSORTED USED and UNUSED POSTAGE STAMPS, Comprising—

LIBERIA, PERSIA, PORTUGAL, MACAO, TIMOR, CHINA, SHANGHAI JUBILEE, U.S. OF AMERICA, PHILIP, PINES, CUBA, ZANZIBAR, &c. &c. (In lots to suit dealers and purchasers). On view from to-day. Terms—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3321]

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE No. 2 of 1892, and

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF THE FEDERAL REFINING COMPANY, a Corporation organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey in the United States of America and having its Office in New York City United States of America for the exclusive use within the Colony of Hongkong of an Invention for "Improvements in the purification of Sugar Crystals, and a Product obtained thereby."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition, Declaration and Specification required by Ordinance No. 2 of 1902 have been duly filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary and that it is the intention of the said FEDERAL REFINING COMPANY by DEACON AND HASTINGS their Solicitors and Agents to apply for Letters Patent for the exclusive use within the Colony of Hongkong of the said Invention at a sitting of the Executive Council to be held at the Council Chambers, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 8th DECEMBER, 1903. DEACON & HASTINGS, Solicitors for the Petitioners. 33201

## POSTPONEMENT.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI. THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN." Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above ports to MORROW, the 2nd December, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 30th November, 1903. [3303]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS AND CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT is now ready and contains—

Leading Articles—Departure of Sir Henry Blake from Hongkong. The Kowloon-Canton Railway. The Situation in the North. The Condition of Queen's College. The Sanitary Board's Constitution. Amoy's Trade in 1902. Sir Henry Blake's Departure. The Administration of Hongkong. The Northern Crisis. Prince Adalbert in Hongkong. King's Park, Kowloon. The Hongkong Manila Run. Hongkong Nursing Institution. Report on Queen's College. Notes from the Botanic Gardens. Canton. Foochow. Port Arthur. Correspondence. Reviews. Supreme Court. Hongkong Steam Water-bent Co. China Traders' Insurance Co. Sporting Notes. Football. Shooting. Hongkong and Port News. Commercial. Shipping. Subscription, \$12 per Annum, payable in advance; postage, \$2. Extra copies 30 cents each, Cash. Copies can be posted from the Office to addressees sent; including postage 54 cents each, or \$1 for three copies, Cash. Hongkong, 25th November, 1903.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

TO LET, 1st JANUARY, 1904.

FIRST FLOOR, No. 17, Queen's Road Central. Apply to—FR. BLUNCK, Silk Lace Manufacturer. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3306]

TO LET, Furnished, for 1 year or longer.

FOUR-ROOMED HOUSE on the Robinson Road level. Apply to—W. J. T., Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3307]

TO LET.

IN ELGIN ROAD, Kowloon, close to Ferry, Shop and Residential Flats. Suitable for foreign Residents. Rent very moderate. For Particulars, apply to—H. RUTTONJEE, No. 5, D'Aguiar Street, or 36 to 38, Elgin Road, Kowloon. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3315]

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIVINGTON TERRACE (in FLATS), No. 4, RIVINGTON TERRACE, No. 15, WONG-NEI-CHONG ROAD, facing Rice-course. ELATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing the Polo Ground. OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE FIER). GODOWNS No. 3A, BLUE BUILDINGS. GODOWNS, PRATA EAST. Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3312]

TO LET.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL. PATRONS to the series of Subscription Recitals of SHAKESPEARE'S PLAYS, to be given by Mr. and Mrs. HANNIBAL WILLIAMS are informed that Mrs. WILLIAMS will interpret the Superb Tragedy, ROMEO AND JULIET, on FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 4th, at 9 o'clock precisely; and on TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 8th, at the same hour, the Historical Drama, KING HENRY IV. (Part I.), with the humorous conceits of Sir John Falstaff, will be given by Mr. WILLIAMS. Patrons are requested to exchange the Cards of Admission they already have for reserved seats tickets, at the Robinson Piano Company's after 9 o'clock on Wednesday, December 2nd. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3311]

OWNERS OF HOUSES situated in the Western Division of the City of Victoria who have not had their premises LIME-WASHED and CLEANSED in accordance with law are reminded that the period during which this work should be finished ends on the 31st day of DECEMBER, 1903, and the Sanitary Board being convinced of the necessity of cleanliness in its efforts to Stamp out Plague, is determined to rigorously prosecute any owner in default after the above named date.

By Order of the Board, G. A. WOODCOCK, Secretary. 1st December, 1903.

Note.—The Western Division of the City lies to the West Tank Lane and Clerly Street.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GUILLERMINA GRACIAS late of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, widow, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 3 of 1897, made an Order limiting to the 28th day of JANUARY, 1904, for sending in Claims against the above estate.

All Creditors are hereby required to send their Claims to the undersigned before the said date.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1903. A. SETH, Official Administrator.

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that in accordance with the Special Resolutions passed on 31st October, and confirmed on 18th November, 1903, they are entitled on application to an allotment of one share for every two old shares held by them. Forms of application will be sent to every shareholder.

The sum of \$2.50 per share will be payable on application, on or before the 4th of January, 1904. Two months' notice of any calls will be given.

Shareholders desirous of paying on or before the 4th January, 1904, the whole amount payable in respect of their shares, can do so, and in such event will receive fully paid up scrip in exchange.

The row issue will rank for Dividend pro rata from 1st January, 1904, according to the amount paid on such shares on 4th January, 1904.

The Register of Shares will be closed from 17th December, 1903, to 4th January, 1904, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3317]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG." Captain Evans, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 3rd inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3315]

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

LONDON SHOPPING AGENCY.

MRS. HERCULES SCOTT undertakes the execution of orders for LADIES' DRESSES, MILLINERY, HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES, &c., &c. Orders carefully and promptly attended to. Address—Mrs. HERCULES SCOTT, Care of R. A. Bonquet, Esq., 2, Finchurch Avenue, London, E.C. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3310]

FOR CHEMULPO, DALNY AND PORT ARTHUR. (Calling at SHANGHAI.)

THE Steamship

"PRONTO." Captain Grand, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 8th inst., at 5 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3316]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA. (Florio and Rubattino United Companies.)

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEBRON and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, AFRICAN, LEBANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALAO, taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENCIA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

THE Steamship

"CAPRI." Captain Belsito, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 12th inst., at NOON. At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3310]

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

AUCTIONS PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 1st DECEMBER, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road, An Assortment of JAPANESE CURIOS, SATSUMA, CLOISONNE, BRONZES, ALBUMS and INDIAN PANELS; LARGE OIL PAINTING and GOLD PAINTING FOLDING SCREENS; CARPETS and RUGS; &c. &c. Terms of Sale—As Customary. Y. I. REMEDIOS, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 27th November, 1903. [3276]

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 7th day of DECEMBER, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Causeway Bay, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years. [3293]

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Referring to the Advertisement under notice, we have This Day Transferred our Business and Trade Marks together with all assets and liabilities to the HOLLAND-CHINA HANDELS-COMPAGNIE (Holland China Trading Co.) which will collect and discharge all accounts due to and owing by us. HOTZ, S. JACOB & CO., HOLLAND-CHINA SYNDICAAT. Rotterdam, 1st October, 1903. [3268]

WE have This Day ESTABLISHED at Rotterdam, Hongkong, Shanghai and Tientsin, taking over as going concerns the Business and Trade Marks together with all assets and liabilities of Messrs. HOTZ, S. JACOB & CO. and the "HOLLAND CHINA SYNDICAAT LTD." Messrs. J. B. COLLIGNON, S. J. DE MONCHY, Jr., and F. B. S. JACOB have been appointed GENERAL MANAGERS, and we have authorized Messrs. G. BAKKER, G. BRUSSE, J. HUIDEKOPPER, W. KIEN and C. A. WEGELIN, to Sign the Company per procuration.

HOLLAND-CHINA HANDELS-COMPAGNIE. (Holland China Trading Company). Rotterdam, 1st October, 1903. [3268]

CAMPBELL, MOORE & CO., LIMITED.

HONGKONG HOTEL BUILDING.

XMAS 1903.

Just Received:

A GREAT VARIETY OF TOYS AND FANCY GOODS.

An Unique Assortment of CALEY'S XMAS CRACKERS.

TUCK'S XMAS, NEW YEAR, AND BIRTHDAY CARDS.

Various Artistic Designs.

Prices to suit all. Inspection invited. Hongkong, 25th November, 1903. [3246]

## ENTERTAINMENTS

CHATRE'S NEW INDIAN CIRCUS

PATRONISED BY H.M. THE EMPRESS-DOWAGER AND OTHER ROYALTY OF CHINA.

For TO-NIGHT (TUESDAY) only, 1st DECEMBER, 1903.

HARRY CENTO, the favourite JUGGLER. ALICE CENTO, introducing equestrian acts of three nations, England, Scotland and Ireland.

In a Circus Tent near Central Market.

MANAGERIE of highly-trained animals, including LIONS, TIGERS, ELEPHANTS, &c. &c. Marvellous Gymnastic Exercises. Wonderful Acts in Bareback Riding. Russian Singing and Dancing. Particulars from the Express. Tickets can be obtained from H. RUTTONJEE, No. 5, D'Aguiar Street, Hongkong, and 37 and 39, Elgin Road, Kowloon. VASU ANNA, Manager. Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3245]

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

WILL GIVE PERFORMANCES OF THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST, ON FRIDAY, 11th DECEMBER, 1903, SATURDAY, 12th DECEMBER, 1903, MONDAY, 14th DECEMBER, 1903. Commencing each Evening at 9 P.M. precisely.

Dress Circle ... .. \$3 Stalls ... .. 1 Pit ... .. 1

No HALF PRICE. Tickets can be obtained at the Booking Office of the Theatre, City Hall, on and after Friday, 4th December, at 10 A.M. Booking Office will be opened daily from that date from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. Late Trans will run a quarter of an hour after the fall of the curtain. Hongkong, 30th November, 1903. [3298]

ZETLAND LODGE No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING (TUESDAY), the 1st DECEMBER, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 28th November, 1903. [3293]

MUSIC.

RAPID Tuition given on the BANJO, VIOLIN, &c. Terms moderate. L. A. DE GRACA, 55, Peel Street, or Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 11th August, 1903. [3252]

AUTOMATIC MAUSER PISTOLS.

CALIBRE 7.63 mm. With CHAMBER for 20 CARTRIDGES FIRING 10 SHOTS in 2 SECONDS. SIEMSEN & CO. Hongkong, 3rd October, 1903. ESTABLISHED 1820.

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A reputation of over EIGHTY YEARS maintained against all competition, and the Standard Billiard Table stands to-day UNRIVALLED.

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Price List on Application to the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" Office. [3119-1]

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MILLINERY and DRESSMAKING.

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PERILS OF FIRE.

Do not intensify damages by throwing water after fire. The "FIREBRACER" will effectively overpower the enemy. The handkerchief in which the Firebracer Powder is contained, will be useful and ornamental in both dwelling-room and storehouse. Do not delay. Water if wanted, is not always accessible. Address—Agents, THE MASTER FIRE GRAPPLING CO. Hongkong, 17th November, 1903. [3174]

SIEN TING.

SURGEON DENTIST, No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE. Consultation Free. Hongkong, 21st March, 1903. 263

## INTIMATIONS

(ABBREVIATED) PROSPECTUS OF THE HONGKONG BREWERY COMPANY, LIMITED.

[Incorporated under the Companies Ordinances Hongkong 1865 to 1899, whereby the liability of a shareholder is limited to the amount of his shares.]

CAPITAL: Hongkong Currency \$250,000, divided into 2500 shares of \$100 each, payable as follows:—\$50 on application \$50 on allotment \$12.50 on 1st May, 1904, and \$12.50 on 1st Feb., 1904.

MANAGERS: Messrs. PAUL LEMAIRE & Co., of No. 15 Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong.

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE: WILLIAM CHARLES JACK, Esq., Hongkong. ALBERT DENISON, Esq., Hongkong. FRANCES PAGET HERT, Esq., Hongkong.

BANKERS: THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SOLICITOR: G. K. H. BRUTTON, Esq., Nos. 39 and 41 Des Voeux Road, Hongkong.

AUDITOR: A. R. LOWE, Esq., Chartered Accountant, Hongkong.

REGISTERED OFFICE: No. 15, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

The Company has been formed for the purpose of acquiring land in the Colony of Hongkong, together with the message erections and buildings thereon known as the Metropole Hotel, and of erecting thereon additional buildings convenient for the purpose of a Brewery, and to manage, maintain, and carry on the said Brewery and buildings when erected and constructed.

The Buildings now standing on the land intended to be purchased are suitable with some alterations for the purposes of a Brewery. On the land intended to be purchased is a supply of water in sufficient quantities for the requirements of the brewery and very suitable for brewing purposes, as shown by the analysis of Mr. F. Browne, Government Analyst at Hongkong, which analysis can be inspected at the registered office of the Company.

After carefully going into the question of expenses, the Promoter, Mr. E. A. Menner, the Manager of Messrs. P. Lemaire & Co., is confident that with a brewing of 500,000 gallons only a year a dividend of 15 per cent. at the lowest will be payable on the capital of the Company.

No complete statistics are available showing the quantities of European and Japanese Beer imported into Hongkong and China, but there is no doubt that the demand for beer is increasing; this the following figures will show:—

Japanese Beer imported into China. 1899 gallons 170,280 1900 " 495,000 1901 " 732,800

During the last three years the Japan Brewery Company and the Yabusi Brewery, which are the two largest Breweries in Japan, have paid the following dividends:—

Japan Brewery Yabusi Brewery 1899/1900 25% 27% 1900/1901 15% 25% 1901/1902 30% 25%

It is the intention of the management, as a beginning, to supply the local markets, and it is anticipated that there will be a demand from the garrison at Hongkong and from the various merchant ships which call at Hongkong.

The price for the purchase of the land and buildings thereon intended to be purchased is \$80,000, and it is estimated that the cost of erecting the additional buildings necessary for the Company and for the erection of the plant, &c., will not exceed the sum of \$30,000.

It is believed that the brewery premises will be completed by the month of March 1904, and that the Brewery will be in full working order by the month of April, 1904.

Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company, and of any contracts and the report above mentioned, may be inspected at the registered office of the Company.

Forms of application for shares may be obtained from the Company's Managers and Bankers.

Applications for shares should be forwarded to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the Bankers of the Company, Hongkong, from whom copies of the Prospectus may be obtained.

Copies of the Prospectus and further information may be obtained from the Managers, Messrs. P. LEMAIRE & Co., Hongkong. Hongkong, 21st October, 1903. [3282]

PURE FRESH WATER

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER BOAT CO., LD., is prepared to supply ANY QUANTITY of PURE FRESH WATER to the Shipping, both for Deck and Boilers. Call Flag W. J. W. KEW, Manager, 1st Floor, 37, Canaught Road Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. [17]

NOTICE.

IT is hereby notified that the "WING CHAI" will go into dock on the 30th inst. Notice will be given when she is able to resume her traffic as usual.

THE MING ON CO. Hongkong, 30th November, 1903. [3287]

VIEWS OF HONGKONG

ILLUSTRATED POST CARDS Coloured, Write-Away Cards, &c. For Sale at GRACA & CO.'S Stall at HONGKONG HOTEL CORRIDOR. Also Used and Unused Foreign and Colonial POSTAGE STAMPS in Sets, Packets or Single. King Edward VII Albums. Catalogues, Hinges, &c., &c. Inspection invited. Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. 287

CARTRIDGES.

NOBEL'S SPORTING BALLISTITE. Absolutely Smokeless and Water-resisting THE BEST NITRO-POWDER IN THE WORLD. PRICE OF 12-ROBE CARTRIDGES:—Loaded with With Powder Powder only, and 1 oz. of Shot. Primrose Cases ... \$2.25 \$3.00 Peggimoid Cases ... 6.85 8.60 Ejector Brass Cases 7.50 9.25

Apply to—WM. SCHMIDT & CO., Gunmakers, Hongkong. Hongkong, 3rd July, 1902.

## INSURANCES

THE STATE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF LIVERPOOL.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. W. G. HUMPHREYS & CO. Hongkong, 3rd August, 1903. [2185]

NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO

FIRE and LIFE.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept First Class Foreign and Chinese RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. Also to accept proposals for LIFE ASSURANCE. Prospectuses on application. TURNER & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [2673]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1902 £16,378,771.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... £3,000,000 0 0 SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... 2,750,000 0 0 PAID-UP CAPITAL... 687,500 0 0 II. FIRE FUNDS... 2,867,215 11 10

The Undersigned AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. [1888]

THE BOMBAY FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS at Current Rates. HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO. Hongkong, 26th November, 1903. [2160]

NEW ZEALAND INSURANCE COMPANY.

FIRE AND MARINE.

ESTABLISHED 1859.



# THE ROBINSON PIANO COMPANY, LIMITED

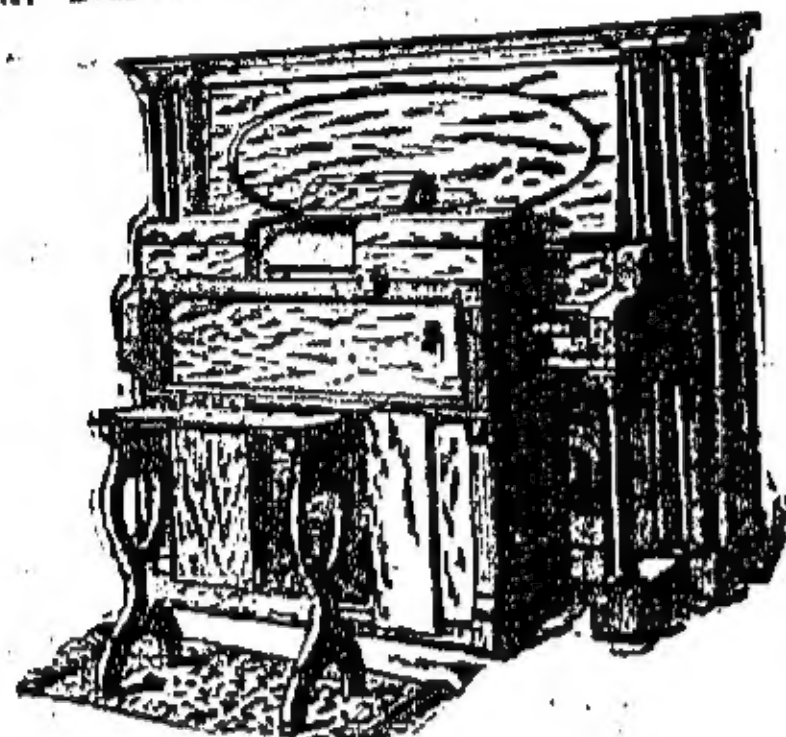
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## THE APOLLO MASTER PIANO PLAYER

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PATTI ENDORSES THE APOLLO.

Adelina Patti (Baroness Cederstrom) has given another great testimonial to the Apollo Piano-player. She was so delighted with the instrument that she purchased it by her last year that this second testimonial is even stronger than the first one that she gave.

Mrs. Patti says that "the Apollo never has given her the slightest trouble and that the new concert grand is one of the most wonderful and perfect piano-players that she has ever seen."

Hongkong, 17th October, 1907. [2484]

## HONGKONG BUSINESS DIRECTORY

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Wholesale and Retail. Prices very moderate.  
No. 39, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL  
(Opposite Messrs. C. J. GAUFF & Co.)  
Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [317]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on account  
of the year 1903 at the rate of Fifty  
Cents per Share (or Five Per Cent on the  
Capital of the Company) will be payable at the  
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, Hongkong,  
on and after MONDAY, the 30th instant, on  
Warrants to be obtained from the undersigned.  
Local Shareholders are requested to apply at  
the Company's Office for their Warrants.

The Dividend will also be payable at the  
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, Shanghai,  
on presentation of Warrants there, on and after  
the same date.

The REGISTER OF SHARES will be  
CLOSED from MONDAY, the 23rd instant,  
until MONDAY, the 30th instant, both days  
inclusive, during which period no Transfer of  
Shares will be registered.

By Order,  
A. H. MANCELL,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1903. [3156]

THE CHINA TRADING INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the  
THIRTY SEVENTH ORDINARY  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the  
above Company will be held at the HEAD  
OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY,  
the 8th Dec., at Twelve o'clock Noon, for  
the purpose of receiving the Report of the  
Directors, together with Statement of Accounts  
to the 30th April last, and of declaring  
Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 24th inst., to the  
8th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
JAMES WHITTALL,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1903. [3180]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 2635

for Fifty shares, numbered 2201/2250

inclusive, standing in the name of

TOM GREAVES GOWLAND having

been lost, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that unless the said Certificate be produced at

the Office of the DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP

CO., LD., Victoria, Hongkong, before 17th

DECEMBER, 1903, a new certificate for the

said shares will be issued and the old certificate

will thereupon be held by the Company as null

and void.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1903. [3173]

RUINAUT PERE & FILS, REIMS

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CHAMPAGNE GROWERS AND

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Ship only the Finest Quality

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Large Variety of XMAS TOYS, XMAS

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MEERSCHAUM AND BRIAN PIPES AND

CIGARETTE HOLDERS, XMAS

AND NEW YEAR CARDS from Raphael Tuck,

Pictorial English Xmas Cards on Rice Paper,

&c., &c., &c.

Prices very moderate. Inspection respect-

fully solicited.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1903. [3270]

DAVID CORSAE & SON

MERCHANT NAVY

NAVY BOILED

LONG FLAX

RELIANCE CROWN

TARPULING

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Sole Agents.

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## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.	
Nov. 29, DEUTERON, German str., 1,001, F. Frahm, Newchwang and Choofoe 24th Nov., BARK.	—SIEMSEN & CO.
Nov. 29, SUEVIA, German str., 2,663, H. Borek, Shanghai 24th Nov., General.—HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.	
Nov. 30, AN PHO, British str., 986, J. Kynoch, Saigon 24th Nov., General.—BRANDREY & CO.	
Nov. 30, BRITISH MONARCH, British str., Walker, New York 3rd Oct. and Singapore 21st Nov., Case Oil.—CHINESE.	
Nov. 30, CHANGSHA, British str., 1,463, T. Moore, Kobe 24th Nov., General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.	
Nov. 30, CHINESE CHEW, British str., 1,218, Fremington, Singapore 21st Nov., General.—CHINESE.	
Nov. 30, CHIVENS, Chinese str., 1,211, Chas. Stewart, Shanghai 24th Nov., General.—CHINESE.	
Nov. 30, CHUNANG, British str., 1,418, R. Cox, Surabaya 19th Nov., Sugar.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	
Nov. 30, HOHIO, French str., 509, M. Merleau, Haiphong 24th Nov. and Hoioh 29th, Rice and Sugar.—A. L. MARY.	
Nov. 30, HUBNER, British str., from Mira Bay.	
Nov. 30, MANCHE, French str., 1,251, Moriano, Yokohama 20th Nov., General.—MESSAGIERIES MARITIMES.	
Nov. 30, PALAMCOTTA, British str., 3,413, J. Bruce Penrose, R.N.R., Calcutta via Rangoon, Penang and Singapore 11th Nov., General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	
Nov. 29, SHANTUNG, British str., 1,740, Quail, Java 20th Nov., Sugar.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.	
Nov. 30, TVE, Norwegian str., 1,418, D. L. Danilsson, Hong Kong 24th Nov., Co. L.—EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.	
Nov. 30, WASHINGTON, British str., 1,170, M. Courtney, Newchwang 23rd Nov. and Choofoe 24th, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	
Nov. 30, YAWATA MARU, Japanese str., 2,366, A. E. Moss, Melbourne and Manila 24th Nov., General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.	

**AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.**  
30th November.  
Hollis, French str., for Pakhoi.  
Hongwan I, British str., for Amoy.  
P. C. Kua, German str., for Hoioh.  
Sabine Rickmers, British str., for Foochow.  
Pharis, British str., for Swatow.  
Tingong, British str., for Swatow.

**DEPARTURES.**  
30th November.  
BLENHEIM, British str., for Mira Bay.  
CHINRIANG, British str., for Canton.  
CHIVENS, Chinese str., for Canton.  
HONGKONG, French str., for Haiphong.  
KWANGTAN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.  
PELEUS, British str., for Nagasaki.  
TVE, Norwegian str., for Canton.  
WASHINGTON, British str., for Canton.  
WICHU, British str., for Canton.

**VESSELS IN DOCK.**  
30th November.  
AMERICAN DOCK.—Prosper.  
K. WILSON DOCK.—Chuen Tiao, Taitao, U.S.S. Ajax, U.S.S. Zujiro, H.M.S. Amphitrite, H.I.G.M.S. Mowat, H.I.G.M.S. U.S.A.T. Sacramento, Kaituma, Chienkuan.  
COMMERCIAL DOCK.—Shanmoo, Phra C. C. Kiao.

**VESSELS ON THE BERTH**  
HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.  
FOR SHANGHAI.  
(Taking Cargo at through rates to TSINGTAU CHINRIANG and HANKOW.)  
THE Steamship  
"LYEEMOON,"  
Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 1st Dec., at 4 p.m. This steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 27th November, 1903. [328]

**CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
司公限有船輪華中  
FOR MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, MANZANILLO, MEXICO, AND SAN FRANCISCO.  
THE Steamship  
"ATHOLL,"  
Captain Watt, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 2nd December, at Noon.  
J. S. VAN BUREN, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 14th November, 1903. [318]

**THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**  
STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW YORK VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Steamship  
"HERMISTON," Captain W. T. Bain, will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 2nd DECEMBER, to be followed by the Steamship  
"HIMERA," Captain Lockhart,  
on or about MONDAY, the 21st DECEMBER.  
For Freight, &c., apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1903. [315]

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.**  
PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAIS.  
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"SALAZIE,"  
Captain Negre, will be despatched for the above ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 2nd December.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1903. [2]

**"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.**  
FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.  
THE Steamship  
"GLENSHIEL,"  
Captain J. McGillivray, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 3rd December.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.  
Hongkong, 14th November, 1903. [3510]

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## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP.	GLENSHIEL	Brit. str.	J. McGillivray	MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW	3rd inst.
LONDON, &c. via PORTS OF CALL.	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	W. B. Palmer	P. & O. S. N. Co.	5th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, &c.	FORMOSA	Brit. str.	B. H. W. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 11th inst.
LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	Dionides	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	20th inst.
LIVERPOOL	MANCHE	Brit. str.	Moine	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd Jan.
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL.	HYSON	Brit. str.	H. Fraser	MESSAGIERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 1 p.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON &c., v. S. POSE, &c.	KAWACHI M.	Jap. str.	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	8th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	PROMETHEUS	Brit. str.	Dionides	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	12th inst., D'light.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	DARDANES	Brit. str.	Dionides	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	YANTZSE	Brit. str.	Dionides	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th Jan.
HAIPHONG, via PORTS OF CALL.	P. HEINRICH	Ger. str.	E. Heintze	MELCHERS & CO.	19th Jan.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	Borek	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	9th inst., at Noon.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	Forst	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	NURNBERG	Ger. str.	Forst	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	15th inst.
TRIESTE, &c. via SINGAPORE, &c.	CHINA	Brit. str.	Duckstein	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	29th inst.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	QUONO	Brit. str.	W. T. Bain	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	5th Jan.
NEW YORK, via SUEZ	HERMISTON	Rus. str.	W. T. Bain	SWANWELL & CO. LD.	19th inst., p.m.
NEW YORK, via SUEZ	GLENSHIEL	Brit. str.	F. Selby	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	About 5th inst.
NEW YORK, via SUEZ	NURIA	Ger. str.	von Hoff	MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW	To-morrow.
NEW YORK, via SUEZ	E. OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	16th inst.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	M. Ridley	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	About end of inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA via JAPAN.	TACOMA	Brit. str.	M. Ridley	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	27th Jan.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SATTLE via S'hai, &c.	TACOMA	Brit. str.	M. Ridley	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	15th inst., at 4 p.m.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SATTLE via S'hai, &c.	TACOMA	Brit. str.	M. Ridley	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	1st Jan.
PORTLAND, OREGON	YONAH	Brit. str.	A. Christensen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	14th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINATRA	Brit. str.	W. E. Craven	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KUMANO MARU	Brit. str.	W. E. Craven	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	4th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EASTERN	Brit. str.	W. E. Craven	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	16th inst., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SANUKI MARU	Jap. str.	W. Townsend	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 14th inst.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	AMERICA	Ger. str.	Duckstein	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	4th inst., D'light.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KINSHU MARU	Jap. str.	F. L. Pyne	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	14th inst., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	F. L. Pyne	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	10th inst.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HAKATA MARU	Jap. str.	F. L. Pyne	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	18th inst., D'light.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATHOLL	Brit. str.	Watt	CHINA COM. S.S. CO.	To-morrow, Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAGOSHIMA M.	Jap. str.	K. Kori	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	25th inst., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	LYEEMOON	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	8th inst., at Noon.
CHUMULPO, DALNY & PORT ARTHUR	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 2nd inst.
SHANGHAI, PORT ARTHUR, CHINAMPONG	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 5th inst.
NINGPOO & SHANGHAI	NINGPOO	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
FOOCHOW, via SWATOW & AMOY	FOOCHOW	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	4th inst.
TAMUL, via SWATOW & AMOY	TAMUL	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	5th inst.
ANPING, via SWATOW & AMOY	ANPING	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUT.	SWATOW	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
SWATOW	SWATOW	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
MANILA	MANILA	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
MANILA	MANILA	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
MANILA	MANILA	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
MANILA DIRECT	MANILA	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
MANILA	MANILA	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
LOILO & CEBU	LOILO & CEBU	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
LOILO & CEBU	LOILO & CEBU	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	BOMBAY	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	BOMBAY	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.
SPORE, SAMARANG & SOURABAYA.	SPORE	Brit. str.	Th. Lehmann	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.**  
PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAIS.  
**NOTICE.**  
STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAYRE, BORDEAUX, &c.

**PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.**  
ON TUESDAY, the 1st December, 1903, at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship "MANCHE," Captain Moine, will be despatched for Saigou, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo to Europe and Ports of Call for Transshipment to S.S. "Himalaya," connecting at Colombo with S.S. "Sydney." Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 30th November. Specie and Parcels received until 4 p.m. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

**G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.**  
Hongkong, 21st November, 1903. [2]  
**THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY**  
STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.  
THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.  
THE Steamship  
"CHUSAN,"  
Captain W. B. Palmer, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, etc., on SATURDAY, the 5th DECEMBER, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports. Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading. For further particulars, apply to  
E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1903. [1]

**"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.**  
FOR NEW YORK.  
THE Steamship  
"GLENSHIEL,"  
Captain F. Selby, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 10th December.  
For Freight, &c., apply to  
MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.  
Hongkong, 19th November, 1903. [3197]

**NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
THE Underigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for Cape Ports every fortnight. For Freight and further particulars, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan, Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

**OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA**  
REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.  
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.  
STEAMERS LEAVING SATURDAY, 5th December.  
"DAIJI MARU" T. W. Groves THURSDAY, 10th December.  
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"ANPING MARU" I. Goto FRIDAY, 4th December.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
LONDON, &c.	CHUSAN	Noon, 5th December	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	SUEVIA	About 5th December	Freight and Passage.
LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MALTA.	FORMOSA	About 11th December	Freight and Passage.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA (Passing through the Inland Sea).	JAPAN	About 14th December	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to  
E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 30th November, 1903.

**HONGKONG-MANILA.**  
Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. SURGEON and STEWARDESSE carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.  
**CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	FOR	SAILING DATE.
PERLA	1980	A. H. Notley	Hilo and Cebu	Fri., 4th Dec., 4 p.m.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila direct.	Sat., 5th Dec., 10 a.m.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almon	Manila direct.	Sat., 12th Dec., 10 a.m.

For Freight, or Passage apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.  
Hongkong, 1st December, 1903.

**PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.**  
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHANGHAI INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR PORTLAND, OREGON  
OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.  
STEAMSHIP TONS. CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON  
"INDRASAMHA" 5,197 W. E. Craven December 14, 1903  
"INDRAVELLI" 4,899 R. P. Craven January 14, 1904  
"INDRAPURA" 4,899 A. E. Hollingsworth February 13, 1904  
Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to  
ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.  
Hongkong, 17th November, 1903. [14]

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STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 9th December
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BAYERN	WEDNESDAY 20th January
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 3rd February
GERA	WEDNESDAY 17th February
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY 2nd March
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 16th March
ROON	WEDNESDAY 30th March
EMBURG	WEDNESDAY 13th April
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 27th April

ON WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of DECEMBER, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Captain E. Heintze, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on MONDAY,











## HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

At a Monthly Meeting of the General Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce in the Chamber Room, City Hall, on Tuesday, 17th November, at 3.45 p.m. Present: Mr. E. A. Hewett (Chairman), Mr. D. R. Low (Vice-Chairman), Hon. C. W. Dickson, Messrs C. Micklethwait, N. A. Siebs, J. R. M. Smith, H. F. Tomkins, R. C. Wilcox, A. G. Wood, and A. R. Lowe (Secretary).

The minutes of meetings held on the 6th, 17th, and 23rd ult. were read and confirmed. EXPLOSIVES ON BOARD STEAMERS IN THE HARBOUR.

The following communication was read:—

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1903.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 22nd ultimo, in which you state that the Government sees no sufficient reason for altering the law as suggested in my letter of the 16th ultimo with regard to the conditions under which a vessel with ammunition is allowed to enter this harbour.

While the Committee of this Chamber regret that it is difficult to combat the decision of the Government for reasons which have not been expressed they are loth to let the matter rest without again urging on the Government the desirability of amending the existing regulations which they venture to submit do not conform to the modern necessities of the port with regard to the treatment of goods in small quantities: these by the very fact of their being in small quantities place them outside the category of "dangerous goods." In the treaty ports of China such quantities, viz., ammunition containing in the aggregate not more than 100 lbs. of gunpowder, or 2,000 rounds of cartridges, are allowed to be carried by ships, as cargo, without the latter being asked to conform to special regulations, and if these regulations are sufficient in China, where of necessity the greatest care has to be taken to prevent the illegal importation of munitions of war, it seems to the Committee of the Chamber similar conditions might reasonably be asked for in a port which prizes itself, and derives its prosperity to a very great extent, by reason of its freedom from the annoyance and delays attaching to those ports where custom houses exist.

It appears to the Committee that it would be sufficient protection to the Colony if instead of the red flag rule and the obligation to file in the "Dangerous Goods" certificate, it was simply required that the masters or agents of those ships carrying small quantities of ammunition deposit with the Harbour Master a declaration in writing giving particulars of the dangerous goods carried, and that such declaration, if thought desirable by the Government, not only of all ammunition and explosives loaded and shipped, but also of those retained on board in transit through the port.

The Committee of the Chamber are given to understand the flying of the red flag is desired by the Harbour authorities to enable them to readily take note of all the vessels in the port having explosives on board.

If this is correct we would beg to suggest that while the red flag be retained for all vessels with sufficiently large quantities of explosives on board to necessitate their being in the Dangerous Goods anchorage, another signal be brought into use which, while conveying the necessary information to the Harbour authorities as to explosives on board, will not interfere with the free movements of the vessel while in the harbour.

The Committee of the Chamber desire to point out that such a change would not apparently necessitate an alteration in the existing Dangerous Goods Ordinance, but might be effected by Regulations issued by the Governor in Council.

The Committee of the Chamber trust that on further consideration the Government will agree to making this concession; since as matters now stand a vessel with even only one case of safety cartridges on board must fly the red flag and must proceed to the Dangerous Goods anchorage unless permission to the contrary be received from the Harbour authorities. This in most cases would mean the loss of several hours before the steamer can enter the harbour and proceed to a wharf or her mooring.—I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Sd.) EDDERT A. HEWETT, Chairman.

Hon. F.M. May C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 24th October, 1903.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant regarding the conditions under which a vessel carrying ammunition on board may enter this harbour, and to inform you that it has received the careful attention of the Governor. His Excellency however is still of opinion that no such alteration of the law as is contemplated by your Chamber is necessary. As to the argument that delay is caused by having to obtain the Harbour Master's permission to enter the harbour, the Government is informed by the Acting Harbour Master that in nine cases out of ten the shipping agents send him a copy of the manifest of the dangerous goods on board before the arrival of the vessel in question, and upon receipt of such manifest his instructions are issued forthwith. No delay, therefore, is caused by the present regulations in this respect.

Finally, His Excellency fails to see that there is any hardship involved in the flying of the red flag.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Sd.) F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Secretary, Chamber of Commerce.

The contention of H.E. the Governor that there is no hardship involved in the flying of the red flag was not agreed with, and it was decided to address the Government on the subject again.

QUARANTINE AT BATAVIA.

Read correspondence placed at the disposal of Chamber by the Colonial Secretary on 20th ultimo relating to the inability of the Government of Netherlands India to remove the restrictions against arrivals from Hongkong until the port could be regarded as plague-free in terms of Chap. II, Sec. 2 of the Venice Convention. The Chairman pointed out that a notification appeared in the Government Gazette of the 6th instant withdrawing these restrictions.

CURRENCY QUESTION.

The Chairman said that the Committee had previously read the correspondence commencing in May last between the Chambers of Commerce of Shanghai, Tientsin, and Hongkong, which resulted in the drawing up of a joint memorial addressed to the Diplomatic Body at Peking on the subject of the currency of China.

The memorial and the closing letters were laid on the table.

Shanghai, 6th August, 1903.

His Excellency, E. H. Conger, Minister for the United States of America, and Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps, Peking.

SIR, We, the undersigned Chambers of Commerce of Shanghai, Hongkong, and Tientsin, respectfully beg to bring to your notice the serious disabilities under which this country labours by reason of the violent fluctuations in the gold value of silver, and the pressing need thereby occasioned for the prompt introduction of remedial measures.

In approaching this subject we are fully aware of the difficulties with which it is surrounded, but while in no way seeking to minimise these difficulties, we venture to think that if the Treaty Powers show their desire to render to China their sympathetic assistance, they may be encouraged to take the initiative in endeavouring to extricate the country from the financial confusion into which it has drifted and to avert the ruin which further inaction seems to threaten.

Under Clause II. of the Treaty recently concluded with Great Britain, China agrees to take the necessary steps to provide for a uniform national coinage, and it is in the fulfilment of this clause of the treaty (which to be effective must include the absorption of the provincial mints) that we recognise the preliminary step to the much-needed reforms.

It is hardly necessary to point out how essential it is to the Powers carrying on trade with China—and no less to China herself—that this question of a uniform coinage, as a preliminary step to the establishment of a currency on a gold basis, be taken in hand at once, nor, on the other hand, that the constant fluctuation of silver, converting as it may a profitable contract into an ultimate loss, engenders a feeling of insecurity in all commercial transactions which cannot fail to hinder the expansion of trade.

Moved by these considerations and feeling confident that whatever measures may subsequently be found to be desirable or feasible, the first step is the establishment of a national coinage, as provided for by treaty, we respectfully beg that the representatives of the Treaty Powers in Peking lose no opportunity of urging upon the Chinese Government the imperative necessity of taking this matter in hand without delay.

We have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Sd.) R. INGLIS, Chairman Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce.

EDBERT A. HEWETT, Chairman Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

J. M. DICKINSON, Chairman Tientsin General Chamber of Commerce.

Names of Ministers, &c., in Peking to whom copies of the Currency Memorial were sent:—

M. d'Almeida, Chargé d'Affaires for Portugal.

H.E. P. Lessar, H.I.M. Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary.

H.E. Ueda Yasura, H.I.M. Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary.

H.E. Count C. Collins, H.I.M. Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary.

H.E. Sir Ernest Satow, G.O.M.C., H.I.M. Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary.

H.E. Dr. Von Schwarzkopf, H.I.M. Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary.

H.E. C. Dubail, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary for France.

H.E. Baron Czikkan de Wahlhor, H.I. Imp. and Apostolic Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary.

H.E. M. Jostens, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary for Belgium.

M. W. J. Oudendyk, Chargé d'Affaires for the Netherlands.

H.E. B. J. de Cologar, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary for Spain.

Tientsin General Chamber of Commerce, Tientsin, 14th October, 1903.

(a) Copy of a letter from the Senior Consul at Tientsin under date, Tientsin, 13th October.

(b) Copy of a letter from the Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps under date, Peking, 8th October.

(c) Copy of my reply to the Senior Consul at Tientsin.

The despatch of the Doyen at Peking although it adds nothing to our knowledge of what progress is contemplated by the Imperial Government is, at any rate, satisfactory in giving expression to sympathy with the views held by the Chambers.

I am, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Sd.) J. M. DICKINSON, Chairman.

To the Chairman, Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong.

H.B.M. Consulate-General, Tientsin, 13th October, 1903.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 10th September enclosing a communication from the Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai, Hongkong,

and Tientsin, for transmission to the Doyen of the Diplomatic Body at Peking, which document I duly forwarded to its destination on the 11th September, I beg now to inclose a copy of the reply received yesterday from Baron Czikkan, the present Doyen, to your letter. May I ask you to communicate the same to the Shanghai and Hongkong Chambers in due course?

I am, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Sd.) L. C. HOPKINS, Consul-General.

J. M. Dickinson, Esq., Chairman, Tientsin General Chamber of Commerce.

Austrian-Hungarian Legation in China, Peking, 8th October, 1903.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter under yesterday's date enclosing a copy of a communication addressed to yourself as Doyen of the Consular Corps at Tientsin, and Baron Czikkan, the present Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps, and having reference to a letter under date of the 10th ultimo, addressed to that body by the Chambers of Commerce at Hongkong, Shanghai and Tientsin.

In accordance with your wishes I will communicate this reply to the Chambers concerned.

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L. C. Hopkins, Esq., H.B.M. Consul-General and Senior Consul, Tientsin.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[VIA AUSTRALIA.]

THE ALASKA BOUNDARY AWARD.

London, 3rd November.

Mr. A. Aylesworth, one of the Commissioners for Canada on the Alaska Boundary Commission, at a banquet given at Toronto, Canada, last night, made a conciliatory speech in regard to the award of the Alaska Boundary Commission.

Mr. Aylesworth, who had been in the United States, said that he was glad to see the Lord Chief Justice of England, and the other Commissioners. Canada, Mr. Aylesworth said, must bear the award graciously and submissively.

It would be sad indeed, if Canada, he thought, resented what she considered an injustice. The binding Canada to the material was able to stand the strain of many Alaska awards.

U.S. SENATORS.

London, 3rd November.

Three wealthy ladies of San Francisco, who were members of a suicide club, committed suicide last night by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge.

It has been ascertained that Mr. Wentz, a millionaire resident of Vienna, who has been missing for some time, has been kidnapped. His captors claim £2,000 for his ransom.

RUSSIA'S ANTI-PATHY TO THE JEWS.

London, 3rd November.

Baron Rothschild had acquired extensive petroleum fields in the Caucasus, but the court before whom the matter was brought upheld the contention of rival bidders that the Jews were unable to acquire property in Russia, and the sale was accordingly cancelled.

THE CONVICT LYNECHAU.

London, 3rd November.

The Nationalist and the Unionist newspapers of Ireland are amazed at the decision of the Supreme Court at Indianapolis not to grant the extradition of the Irish convict James Lynchau, who was arrested in that city in August last. The newspapers admit that Lynchau is a desperate scoundrel.

At the instance of Great Britain the United States authorities will re-arrest Lynchau.

LONDON MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

London, 4th November.

The results of the election of councillors for the London Boroughs were declared yesterday. The parties of the returned councillors are:—

Progressives . . . . . 634

Moderates . . . . . 587

Independents . . . . . 86

Labour representatives . . . . . 17

The Progressives have a majority in 17 borough councils and the Moderates in 6.

GREAT EXPLOSION ON IONA.

London, 5th November.

The great Government magazine on Iona Island, in the Hebrides, where hundreds of tons of dynamite, shell and powder are stored, exploded yesterday. There was a series of explosions, lasting an hour. Sixteen persons were killed.

TURBINE-FITTED CRUISER.

London, 6th November.

H.M. cruiser *Amethyst*, third-class, which is the first warship to be fitted with turbines, was launched from the yard of Sir W. Armstrong, Mitchell, and Co., at Elswick-on-Tyne, to-day.

DEFENCE REORGANISATION.

London, 6th November.

It is announced that the Government has appointed Viscount Esher, Admiral Sir John A. Fisher, and Colonel Sir G. S. Clarke (Governor of Victoria), a committee to make recommendations with regard to the reorganisation of the national defences. The newspapers warmly approve of the committee, and especially commend the appointment of Sir G. S. Clarke. The *Daily Telegraph* says that there is a singular fitness in the selection of Sir G. S. Clarke as one of the committee, since he originated the term Imperial defence, which is largely the idea underlying the appointment of the committee.

THE LIBERAL LEADERSHIP.

London, 8th November.

Captain Ellice, M.P. for St. Andrews District, speaking at a meeting of the Liberal League on Saturday night, said that the party would not have any success at the polls so long as Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman was the leader. Lord Rosebery was the only possible leader.

London, 10th November.

The *Daily News* advises Lord Rosebery to dissolve the Liberal League, which was formed to include the Imperialist Liberals. The *Daily Chronicle* says that the Liberal League was tempted to sever its connection with the Liberals and form an unattached party.

THE EDUCATION QUESTION.

London, 8th November.

In his reply to the letter of the Archbishop of Canterbury proposing a conference of

Churchmen and Nonconformists upon the education question, Dr. Horton, Chairman of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, states that the Free Church leaders could only enter into a conference if it were based upon the recognition of the principle that all schools maintained by public money must be absolutely under public control, and that teachers should be appointed by public authority without reference to denominational distinctions. Dr. Horton's reply is regarded as a non-*passus*.

GERMAN SOUTH-WEST AFRICA.

London, 7th November.

The Germans at Fort Warmbad made a gallant resistance to the bitter end against the Boer warriors, but were overpowered by overwhelming numbers. The Hottentots numbered 500 fighting men. The garrison at Keetmanshoop has been attacked. German reinforcements have left Windhoek, the capital of South-west-Africa, for the beleaguered garrison. The cause of the outbreak among the Boer warriors was a demand on the part of the German authorities for the surrender of arms, with a view to registration. Lieutenant Jobst, parleying over the matter with a chief, lost his temper, and shot the man dead.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

London, 9th November.

The returns of British trade for the month of October published by the Board of Trade show that imports increased by £203,858, and exports increased by £726,349, as compared with the imports and the exports of the corresponding month of last year.

CANADIAN EAST ATLANTIC PASSAGE.

London, 9th November.

Gilway City, on the West Coast of Ireland, has been selected as a port at which to land passengers by the Canadian fast Atlantic service.

THE FRENCH ARMY.

London, 9th November.

Owing to the decrease in the population of France the recruits for the army were 34,000 fewer in 1903 than they were in 1912, whereas there was in 1903 an increase of 15,000 in the number of recruits that joined the German army.

YACHT RACE ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.

London, 9th November.

The German Emperor's yacht, the *Meteor*, which will be manned exclusively by a German crew, will go to the United States in the spring to participate in the international race for yachts across the Atlantic.

INDIA AND PREFERENCE.

London, 10th November.

Mr. Chamberlain, in replying to Sir Manabherjee Mervanjee Bonawjee, M.P. (Conservative) for North-East Bedford Green, said that India could not be forced to join the preferential trade movement except with the general consent of the Government of India. Mr. Chamberlain said that he believed that Mr. Chamberlain would be a gainer if she did join in the movement, as she would obtain a preference on tea, indigo, and wheat, and other products. Her wishes, however, ought to be ascertained.

THE DIRECTORY AND CHRONICLE FOR CHINA, JAPAN, COREA, INDO-CHINA, SIAM, STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, MALAY STATES, NETHERLANDS INDIA, PHILIPPINES, BORNEO, &c., WITH WHICH ARE INCORPORATED THE CHINA DIRECTORY.

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